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We were glad to see among the subjects prominently discussed in the report of the local branch of the China Association and at the annual meeting on Thursday those of the construction of the Kowloon-Canton railway and of the opening of Waichow. Both of these questions we have constantly maintained to be of the utmost importance to the future of Hongkong. For many years past we have urged the necessity of the railway line being built from our possession on the mainland to the capital city of Kwangtung province. With regard to Waichow, we may justly claim to have, in these columns last year, first called public attention to the value of an open port at that place. That the Hongkong branch of the China Association was keeping both matters before the home Government was known already. The annual report reveals to what extent their efforts have gone. Last December a letter was addressed by the Hongkong to the London branch of the Association, urging them, for reasons set out at length, to ask the Foreign Office to press for the concession of the opening of Waichow at the same time as that of Kongmoon. It will be remembered that Article VIII. of the MIDWAY treaty stipulated for these two and three other ports to be opened; but, except in the case of Kongmoon, certain changes in duties were to be made in compensation, which have not come into effect. The Association also forwarded a copy of the letter to the Foreign Office while the Hongkong Government, which happily takes no little interest in the question, sent a copy to the Colonial Office with a covering despatch in strong support. At the time the report was written no answer had been received from Downing Street,

but one has been received since, in which, as Mr. Wilcox stated in his speech on Thursday, the Government state that they "can hardly press for this concession, as it forms part of the consideration to be granted by the Chinese Government in return for the payment of the surtax," but the Government promise that the British Minister at Peking will be requested to urge upon the Chinese Ministers the desirability of opening Waichow without further delay, unless he is of opinion that there is no likelihood of their entertaining the proposal. With the Chairman of our branch of the Association we can only hope for a more progressive spirit than hitherto on the part of the Chinese Government if the opening of Waichow is to be voluntary. If the Chinese continue in the same mind as now and in the past, we might have to wait centuries before the inclusion of Waichow among the treaty ports. It is rather to be feared that in spite of the representations of the China Association and of the Hongkong Government—and our late Governor was an ardent supporter of the scheme—the authorities at home still fail to recognise what Waichow means if brought into communication with Hongkong. We endeavored to explain its importance when we discussed the question last September, but there is more that might be said.

The same letter in which the Association wrote about Waichow also contained their views on the matter of the Kowloon-Canton railway. The Association, in the words of the report, made a forcible representation on the subject of the delay in proceeding with the projected line, while offering some suggestions as to the route to be traversed and recommending the construction of a branch line from Sheklung, between Waichow and Canton, to Waichow. Copies of this letter were sent to the Colonial Government and to the British and Chinese Corporation's London office, who are stated to be considering it. On the 10th ultimo, in the House of Commons, Earl Percy, questioned on the subject of the railway, said that the Government had been informed by the British and Chinese Corporation that as soon as arrangements have been made for financing the Shanghai-Nanking Railway negotiations for the conclusion of the final agreement for the construction of the Canton-Kowloon line will be proceeded with.

The matter is receiving very careful attention, he added. With Mr. Wilcox on Thursday, we venture to hope that the Corporation will consider to good purpose. The China Association proposed, in its letter of last December, some subsidy, grant, or guarantee for that portion of the line passing through British territory. Mr. GERRARD STUART supported this plan at Thursday's meeting, and the members of the Association were evidently with him when he expressed his opinion that, failing every other means of making that railway, it would be a sound thing for this Colony to guarantee a moderate interest on the cost of construction, since in any case the amount the Colony would be liable for would not be very great, and if the railway prospered the guarantee of a certain interest might never be called up; even in the event of a small deficit in the first year or two the prospects of a fair revenue from the railway are extremely good. But we have the Government at home to convince, and hence the branch of the Association in Hongkong is well advised not to rest on its oars, but to keep in mind its Chairman's words that colonists here cannot afford to accept mere assurances on a subject so vitally affecting their interests, and should never be content until they see the tunnels being driven through the Kowloon hills and the track being laid from the Kowloon terminus. Our late Governor was a keen advocate of the necessity of the railway. Let us trust that Sir MATTHEW NATHAN when he studies the question will be equally convinced, and that an united Colony will at length see its exertions on behalf of its future welfare rewarded with success.

The German Mail of the 17th February was delivered in London on the 17th inst.

The U.S.S. Kentucky went into dock at Kowloon yesterday; while H.M. flagship *Gloria* shifted from alongside the dock to a buoy. The Chinese gun-boat *Kwong Kam*, Capt. Chan Ging Lei, arrived from Canton yesterday morning, having left that port on the previous evening.

The report of the directors of Messrs. Riley, Hargreaves & Co. Ltd., engineers, shipbuilders, &c., of Singapore, states the net profit for the year to have been \$145,186.24. A dividend of \$7 per share is to be paid on preference shares; \$10 per share on ordinary shares, and in addition a bonus of \$2.50 per share. The directors declared the shrinkage in profits, compared with the previous year, to be attributable to "exceptionally heavy losses in one or two large contracts."

With reference to Corea, which had then just declared her neutrality between Japan and Russia, the *Outlook* last month wrote of the "Open Door."

A law has been passed prohibiting the immigration of Chinese to the newest of Central American republics and restricting their dwelling places to a specified part of the City of Panama.

The statement which appeared in an evening contemporary last night to the effect that Ireland had been at Rugby was incorrect. England beat Ireland on the 13th ult. by no less than 2 goals and 3 tries to nil.

The coroner's jury at Victoria, B.C., enquiring into the cause of the loss of the steamer *Cliff* and 54 lives on the 8th January, which was reported at the time, delivered a verdict finding Captain Roberts guilty of manslaughter and Chief Engineer Delaney criminally culpable. Delaney is severely censured for negligence and incompetence.

A London contemporary of recent date states:—The Admiralty agents at Cardiff have received instructions to secure prompt loading of coal cargoes for the British Fleet in Japanese waters. Unfortunately this proved impossible. Enquiries were made by the Admiralty for coal from several of the best smokeless steam coal companies, but these were so fully sold that it was impossible to obtain any cargoes. There is considerable pressure for shipment "at moment" in respect of coal already bought up by the Russian Navy and other European navies, and some time, it is stated, will elapse before the Admiralty will be able, in consequence, to obtain shipment of the coal now asked for for the British fleet.

The Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial and Netherdale Hospitals begs to acknowledge with thanks the following donations to the funds of the hospitals:—

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The Royal eulogy of Lord Roberts contained in the special Army Order issued on the 18th ult., in which King Edward took leave of Lord Roberts as Commander-in-Chief of the Army, was commented upon as another instance where the tact of His Majesty rescued the Ministers from an awkward dilemma. According to a London telegram the exceedingly tactful manner in which the War Office dismissed Lord Roberts deeply incensed the late Commander-in-Chief, and this feeling was shared by the public to such an extent that it threatened to lead to a serious attack on the Government. The King's first intimation of his disapproval of the War Office treatment was to invite Lord Roberts to Buckingham Palace, where marked attention was shown to the Field-Marshal. This was followed by the Army Order, which was sent out by the King personally, not, as usually, through the War Office.

Speaking of the attempted instruction of Korean troops by Russian military officers some years ago, a writer in a home paper says:—The first few weeks were spent in impressing the fact that no one could assault him without permission of the non-commissioned officer, and in teaching the men how to wear a belt, put on their trousers, and the rudiments of drill. When the soldier was ordered to tighten his belt, aspiration distasteful to Korean physique, he blew himself out after the manner of a pony. Then, in connection with his physical weakness was such that, after standing at attention for about ten minutes, he was tired out. When ordered to "stand easy" all sat down on their heels, and so reposed. However, the men were quick learners how to take their *Parlan* rifles to pieces and put them together again, but the weapon proved too heavy for them, so that when carrying it they had to "stand at ease" very five minutes. When musketry practice began the men were very frightened, and at the first shot dropped their rifles and bolted.

His Excellency Mr. F. H. May, C.M.G., the Officer Administering the Government, accompanied by the captain of a German warship, and party, landed at Blake Pier yesterday afternoon. They had a couple of brace shot on the meadows of Wongmoon, by the shores of the West River. The sportsmen left Hongkong in the light-house-tender *Stanley* last Wednesday evening. Steaming up the West River on the following morning the little steamer found her way into a pleasing piece of country where the party, with their guns, landed. The luxuriance of the vegetation, palms, giant-grasses, bamboo, etc., forming extensive groves of feathery foliage, was beyond description. After passing Canton in the homeward journey those on board the *Stanley*, as they hurried down river with the freshet, were able to catch a passing glimpse of such interesting, and in some instances historic, landmarks as the ruins of the old forts, the "Tiger's Mouth" (entrance from the estuary of the Pearl River), Deep Bay, Castle Peak, etc. Though variable weather was experienced, it was a most enjoyable outing.

## TELEGRAMS.

"DAILY PRESS" SERVICE.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENTS.]

### OBITUARY

#### DEATH OF DUKE OF CAMBRIDGE.

LONDON, 17th Mar., 11.10 a.m.

H.R.H. the Duke of Cambridge is dead. H.R.H. George William Frederick Charles, second Duke of Cambridge, had also the following titles:—Earl of Tipperary, and Baron of Culloden, a prince of the United Kingdom Duke of Brunswick-Lüneburg, K.G., K.T., K.P., P.C., G.C.B., G.C.S.I., G.M.M.G., G.C.I.E., G.C.V.O., G.C.H., D.C.L., LL.D., and Knight of Justice S. John of Jerusalem. He was a Field-Marshal, and late Commander-in-Chief of the British Army from 1896 to 1899; and commanded the 1st Division of Army in the Crimean War. He was a Colonel-in-Chief of the Royal Artillery, Royal Engineers, Grenadier Guards, 17th Lancers, etc. Furthermore he was hon. Colonel-in-Chief to the Forces and Chief Personal A.D.C. to His Majesty the King. He was a Field-Marshal in the Prussian Army, President of the Royal Military College at Sandhurst, President of the Royal Military Academy at Woolwich, Ranger of St. James's, Green, Hyde, and Richmond Parks, etc. He was born at Hanover in 1819, succeeded his father in 1850, married morganatically the late Miss Louisa Fairbrother, whose children bear the name of Fitz-George.

### REUTER'S SERVICE.

#### GREAT BRITAIN AND FRANCE.

LONDON, 16th March.

Reuter's Agency understands that the prolonged negotiations between Great Britain and France have resulted in a good understanding on all the questions, Colonial and otherwise, which have long been pending between the two countries. All questions have been settled in principle, and the signature to the agreement, which cover Newfoundland, Egypt, Morocco, Siam, and Nigeria, is expected in a few days.

### FRENCH GOVERNMENT ATTACKED.

LONDON, 16th March.

The French Government yesterday was defeated by a majority of eleven on an amendment adopted by 232 to 271, making the period for suppressing clerical teaching ten years instead of five as proposed by the Government.

M. Pelletan, Minister of Marine, replying to recent attacks upon him, said that since taking office he had reinforced the squadron in the Far East, which would be completed by a division of destroyers. He had also provided for the safety of the Colonies by organizing mobile defences in the shape of destroyers and submarines, in which nothing had previously been done. The delays in the construction of ships were due to improvements in the designs. The personnel of the navy was fairly satisfactory. The Channel and Mediterranean Squadrons could sail at a moment's notice.

### FOOTBALL.

The final tie of the Hongkong Football Challenge Shield will be played to-day on the Club ground—kick-off, 4 p.m.—the contesting teams being H.M.S. *Albatross* and H.M.S. *Cressy*. Mrs. Atkinson has kindly consented to distribute the medals to the winners after the match.

### CORRESPONDENCE.

#### THE OPIUM FARM.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE "DAILY PRESS."

Hongkong, 18th March.

SIR.—Whilst it cannot be gainsaid that the Opium Farmer has to pay a considerable sum to the Government for the monopoly of selling prepared opium, I see absolutely no reason why that monopoly should extend to preparations such as pills and wine, into which a small quantity of opium enters for the purpose of checking or arresting the ravages of the opium habit. Any action on the part of the Government which tends to confer on the Opium Farmer the exclusive right to sell opium in any of its medicinal forms will inflict unnecessary hardship on the poorer classes of those who are addicted to the terrible vice. It is well known that opium forms a large part of such drugs and compounds as morphia, strychnine, &c., usually dispensed by chemists for the alleviation of pain, and if the sale of pills and wine are to be prohibited I fail to see how the operation of the Ordinance will not affect these articles. The Opium Farmer's business, like every other concern, is necessarily attended by certain risks which are in themselves unavoidable, and I think it would be the height of folly to hamper the sale of pills or wine by restrictions which have never been raised by former Opium Farmers in the Colony. Yours, etc.,

FAIR PLAY.

## WAR NOTES.

COREA AS A FIELD OF CAMPAIGN.

Supposing that the Russians decide (if they are able) to make any stand in Corea, or supposing that they drive the Japanese back later on into that country, Corea's geography will play an important part in the fighting. The characteristic feature of the country undoubtedly is its network of mountains. From Paik-tu-an, in the far north, which rises to a height of 8,700 ft., and contains the sources of the rivers Yalu and Tumen, there runs southward a lofty range which bisects the peninsula into two unequal parts. On the western side of this backbone there are numerous lateral ranges which divide the country into a bewildering succession of beetling crags precipitous hills, and valleys through which flow swift perennial streams. On the eastern side the land is very fertile but very inaccessible. Further south, however, the main backbone becomes rather more invertebrate and, losing somewhat of its grandeur, sinks down into mere spurs and small levels, the barren nature of which forms a striking contrast with the heavy timbered summits of the Diamond Mountain and the northern groups. The seaboard is equally precipitous and inhospitable, rising into steep crags and being flanked by numerous desolate uninhabited islands. Consequently, Corea, which has a total area of 82,000 square miles, boasts only three considerable harbours—Chemulpo, Fusan, and Wonsan. This mountainous country, without any real plains of importance, would of course be so far favourable to Japan that it would render cavalry—in which arm Japan is notoriously weak—more or less unimportant. Again the mountains would naturally favour the defending side, whichever that might happen to be. Our recent South African experiences showed that some 90,000 men, especially in these days of quick-firing guns and of smokeless powder, would, if acting on the defensive amongst the heavily-timbered mountain ranges, be amply sufficient to hold an invading army.

RUSSIAN OPINION AT THE OUTBREAK.

A Reuter's telegram of the 10th ult. from St. Petersburg says:—The newspapers seek to kindle a feeling of patriotism and to strengthen the people's trust in God and in their own strength. The *Noroe Vremya* declares that the losses suffered during the war, and that the struggle will have to be fought out on land. "The Japanese," it says, "with their numerical superiority in Corea, will, of course, at first compel the Russians to act entirely on the defensive, but as soon as the Russian forces in Corea and Southern Manchuria have concentrated the beginning of the end will be at hand, and the Japanese will have to pay dearly for their treacherous attack, which was in complete accord with the Asiatic character."

A Moscow correspondent of the *Times*, writing on the 7th ult., says:—Russian military circles do not conceal their satisfaction at the success of Russia's five months' procrastination, and declare that Russia is ready for contingencies which a few months ago would have been awkward. They are satisfied in their own minds that Japan will never succeed in forcing Russia's land position in the East, even if she comes out of the naval campaign uppermost. Time, they argue, will assist Russia, and initial Japanese successes, even if they are obtained, will not end a conflict for which Russia has been steadily arming for years past. . . . The question of a possible extension of the conflict to other Powers, is being mooted, but merely tentatively. The question is now and again asked, especially in military circles, what may England do? The United States also is here and there mentioned. It is significant that the name of France is seldom heard in connection with the question of a possible interference in certain contingencies. Most people here discredit the report that Germany might at an awkward moment enter the arena to support Russia.

The following is the text of the Tsar's speech to the naval cadets at St. Petersburg on the 10th ult., when he granted commissions to all enigues:—You are aware that the day before yesterday war was declared against us, and that a treacherous foe, in the darkness of the night, without any provocation on our part, has attacked our fleet. Russia now needs her navy as well as her army, and I have come to-day to see you and tell you that I promote you to be officers. In promoting you three months and a half before your time, I am convinced that you will do all in your power to enrich your knowledge and will serve as your great grandfathers and your grandfathers who served Admirals Tikhonoff, Lazareff, Nachimoff, Korniloff, and Istomin, to the profit and renown of our dear Fatherland. I am convinced that you will devote all your powers to our navy, over which waves the flag with the cross of St. Andrew. Hurrah!

### VICTORIA RECREATION CLUB.

Entries for the sports are coming in fast, and there is ample time to receive others—that is, on or before the 23rd inst. Owing to the recent rainy weather contests in the various events have not been able to train to the extent they desire. All the prizes except one or two have been presented by various gentlemen of the Colony. Mr. F. H. Kew has presented a Challenge Cup for the 100 yards flat race. The 440 yards race, won by Humphreys last year, has to be won again before the prize becomes the property of the winner. It is understood that the Hongkong Volunteers are entering for the tug-of-war, and it is hoped that the Navy will enter a few teams. The native regiments have not yet entered for another tug-of-war contest, but there are promises. The courses, by the way, will be marked out on Monday.

## SHOCKING MURDER AT WEST POINT.

CHINESE "BOY" STRANGLED.

A murder of a most horrible nature was reported yesterday as having occurred on the previous night at West Point. In a little lane which leads off East Street behind the Sisters' quarters at the Government Civil Hospital a Chinese who was walking along about 10 o'clock on Thursday evening had his attention attracted by an unsightly mass lying at the side of the thoroughfare. He made a closer examination and discovered to his horror that it consisted of the dead body of a young man, fearfully disfigured. The head was battered in and blood covered the face and body. The features were distorted in the manner peculiar to the victim of the stranger's noose. Round the unfortunate youth's neck was tightly twisted his own waist-band and the spare ends of the loag sash had been used by the murderers to tie his legs up in such a doubled-up way that they touched his neck on each side. According to all accounts the mutilated body must have presented a horrid sight.

When the man who first stumbled across the body found out what the state of affairs was he informed the first policeman he met and after due precautions had been taken the dead body was removed to No. 7 Police Station and enquiry was set about.

Last night our representative was unable to procure much information that would serve to throw light on the tragedy. As in all such cases, the police preserve a strict reticence. It appears, however, that the murdered "boy" was a servant at the Diocesan Girls' School in Bonham Road where he had been employed for about six months. He was about 22 years of age. Apparently he was addicted to gambling for it is reported that he was in the habit of foregather with certain boys engaged in the domestic quarters at the Government Civil Hospital and others for that purpose. It would also appear that in the gang of gamblers with which he was associated there was ill-will evinced towards him on account of his good luck at the games of chance in which they engaged.

It has not transpired what his movements were on the night on which he was done to death. To all appearances the "boy" left the Diocesan School to join a gambling gang who have their headquarters in a house somewhere in that neighbourhood. In all likelihood the bad feeling against him came to a head that same night with the result that he was murdered in the shocking and brutal manner related and dumped into the lane. As is mentioned above, the movements of the unfortunate "boy" on the Thursday night are not known so far and it is impossible to say where the dastardly crime was perpetrated. More than likely those responsible for his murder knew that he was in the habit of frequenting the lane where his body was found and accordingly placed it there.

We understand the police are making every investigation into the case and it is to be hoped they will bring the murderers to justice. The name of the victim is Li Han.

### CRICKET.

H.K.C.C. UNION CHURCH E.C.

The following will play in the Match H.K.C.C. v. Union Church Recreation Club, commencing at 11.30 to-day:—

H.K.C.C.—Walter Dixon, William Dixon, H. M. Elliot, R.N., Eng. Lt. R. S. Garde, R.N., T. C. Gray, J. Hooper, H. Hancock, Lt. E. F. H. Mahon, R.N., Eng. Lt. C. Moore, R.N., N. H. Rutherford, and A. G. Ward.

Union Church E.C.—H. Arthur, J. W. C. Bonnar, C. B. S. Cooper, W. M. Everall, G. Grimble, Rev. C. H. Hickling, C. C. Hickling, J. McCaskill, A. MacKenzie, T. E. Pearce, as Rev. H. E. Wells.

The following team will represent the Civil Service C.C. in a friendly match with the Army Ordnance Corps to-day on the Civil Service Ground:—Hon. Dr. Atkinson, G. A. Woodcock, H. T. Jackson, P. T. Lambie, J. Lander, W. H. Woolley, R. Wittell, H. Gilday, F. T. Robins, W. T. Andrews, and L. E. Brett.

By kind permission of Major Raddiff and officers, the band of the 33rd Burma Infantry will play at the Hongkong Hotel from 8 to 9.30 p.m. to-night:—

March— "On the Road" . . . . . Ord Hume  
Overture . . . . . Haydn  
Selection . . . . . Three Little Maids . . . . . Rubens  
Song . . . . . "An der Weser" . . . . . Gustav Pressel  
Selection . . . . . "The Messenger Boy" . . . . . Ivan Caryll  
Waltz . . . . . "Reverie" . . . . . Follet  
Andante and Polonaise . . . . . Le Thiere  
"God Save the King."

### MENU.

Hors D'Oeuvres  
Caviare and Olive Croutons.  
SOUP.  
Colbert.  
ENTREES.  
Smoked Salmon and Butter Sauce.  
Vol-au-vent of Chicken a la Tomate.  
Rolled Fillet of Veal a la Napolitaine.  
Sweetbread Croquettes and Asparagus.  
CURRY.  
Mullins.  
ROAST.  
Roast Sirloin of Beef.  
Roast Pheasant and Broad Sauce.  
Boiled Leg of Mutton and Turnips.  
COLD ENTREES.  
Lobster Mayonnaise.  
SPRINGS.  
Pudding a la Royal.  
Chocolate Ice Cream and Finger Cakes.  
Cherry Tarts.  
Tippie Cake.  
DESSERT.  
Coffee.  
Fruits.



## SPORTING NOTES.

With its literary defeat from the United Services, the H.K.C.C. practically ended its regular season last Saturday, though two matches still figure on the programme: that of the Union Church Recreation Club to-day and that of an United League XV. on Saturday next. It looks extremely problematical whether there will be any game to-day. After yesterday's heavy rain no confidence can be felt in the weather being propitious. The Union Church team includes some excellent cricketers, and it will be a pity if the match has to be abandoned. With regard to the following Saturday's contest, it was a wise decision to make the League team a fifteen. In spite of all that can be said, the full strength of the H.K.C.C. is much too strong for any combined eleven of the Happy Valley Clubs, and if the senior club is not to play its best team a great deal of the interest of the game must evaporate. As it is, given a dry, or at least playable, wicket, the match should be attractive.

The League programme is nearly finished, the only outstanding game after the scratched matches have been scored being that between the H.K.C.C. Reserves and the R.A.M.C., which should be played to-day. As it can make no difference to the position of the competing clubs, it is of little importance. The table stands thus—

| Club.         | Pl. | W. | L. | D. | Pts. |
|---------------|-----|----|----|----|------|
| A.O.C.        | 14  | 13 | 1  | 0  | 39   |
| Civil Service | 14  | 11 | 2  | 1  | 34   |
| Craigengower  | 14  | 8  | 4  | 2  | 26   |
| H.K.C.C. "A." | 13  | 7  | 6  | 0  | 21   |
| R.E.          | 13  | 7  | 7  | 0  | 21   |
| R.A.M.C.      | 13  | 3  | 9  | 1  | 10   |
| Parsons C.C.  | 14  | 2  | 12 | 0  | 6    |
| H.M.S. Tamar  | 14  | 2  | 12 | 0  | 6    |

The A.O.C. is to be congratulated on its success in the first season of the League; it is stated that its team was reinforced by some A.P.D. players, but presumably the other teams raised no objections. The Civil Service C.C. made a good bid for first place, but the collapse in the return match with the A.O.C. spoilt its prospects. The Craigengower C.C. and H.K.C.C. Reserves ruined their chances at the beginning of the season and have done well to work up as high as they have. Next year the Club Reserves will be better for a little less strict interpretation of the word "reserves." There are several excellent players in the H.K.C.C. who very rarely played for the regular team, yet were barred from the Reserves; the result was that the League team was often lamentably weak.

This football season will pass down to memory as the Naval year, the four semi-finals in the Shield competition being all from warships. Today the *Albion* and the *Cressy* should meet in the final tie. It is notoriously unsafe to prophesy with regard to the relative strength of Naval teams, and as in addition the ground is bound to be soft and treacherous I shall not attempt to nominate the winner, though I must confess that the *Cressy*'s defeat of the *Leviathan* in the replayed tie impressed me not a little. The previous games of the two teams have been—H.M.S. *Cressy* beat R.E. in first round, beat *Sherrwood Foresters* in second round, beat H.M.S. *Leviathan* in third, after a draw, H.M.S. *Albion*, bye in first round, beat H.M.S. *Tamar* in second round, and H.M.S. *Ocean* in third.

The Hockey Cup competition is drawing to its close. Last Monday the 11th *Mahrattas* just beat the 93rd *Burmas* 2nd team by 1 goal to 0 in the semi-final round. The other semi-final, H.M.S. *Ocean* v. H.M.S. *Albion*, will be played on Monday at 4.30 p.m. on the Kowloon ground, and after the match arrangements will be made for the final tie.

In our new Governor, Sir Matthew Nathan, another good polo player will be added to the strength of Hongkong. I see that on Christmas Day last Sir Matthew was in the Acorn polo team which beat the visiting four from Lagos. Commenting on the game, the *Field* remarks that Sir Matthew Nathan's enthusiasm for the game of polo has done much to improve it in West Africa. May we look forward, when he arrives in Hongkong, to seeing a Governor and an ex-Acting Governor of the Colony playing polo in the same team?

The Royal Hongkong Golf Club decided on Tuesday last, the day of the Annual General Meeting, to increase the entrance fee to \$30 and the subscription for all members joining after the 15th inst. to \$15 per annum. This step has been rendered necessary by the large increase of membership, and unfortunately we cannot find any 18-hole links in Hongkong. Some day there may be links in Kowloon or the New Territory. There is the nucleus of a good course at Mira Bay, but that is too far until we get a railway, and then I suppose the land will be too valuable.

In the bowling match on Monday between the Navy and a Hongkong Club team, the Club "tail" lost the match more or less, though Gibson and Ford by their fine scores made the issue practically certain. Woodcock and Chater did not roll anything like up to form. The Navy will probably play the Club (full team this time, I should imagine) some time next week, and practice will soon be beginning for the German match, as it is believed the challenge will be sent in very soon. The Germans are said to be practising hard.

The English cricket team under P. F. Warner's captaincy has gone through its arduous Australian programme with only two defeats, both from the full strength of the Commonwealth. To set against these it has beaten Australia three times and defeated all the individual Colonies. The team has indeed upset anticipations. And the main point is that England has regained the international championship.

The Ladies' Rifle Association Meeting, which concluded on Thursday, was very successful, but as a full report of it appears in another column I will not touch on it here, except to compliment the competitors on the way in which they overcame the difficulties and unpleasantness of the weather.

The eleventh Club Race of the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club takes place to-day and to-morrow over course No. 25.

Jack McAuliffe, the boxer, will be remembered out here, owing to his visit two or three years ago, when I believe he was undefeated until he met Ryan at Tientsin. I see now from an Indian paper that on the 27th ult. a glove fight between McAuliffe, weighing 9st. 12lbs., and one Smith who scaled 11st. 11lbs., took place at the Rink, Calcutta, before a large gathering for a purse of Rs. 11,000. In the first round McAuliffe scored Smith with a blow from the shoulder, but in the second round Smith knocked him off his feet, and in the third round scored him twice. In the fourth round McAuliffe was beaten, being eventually knocked out with a blow which fractured his jaw. McAuliffe, it will be noted, was giving away nearly two stone.

Charles Dawson has resigned the Billiard Association Championship at home. His reasons are conveyed in the following letter to the Hon Sec. of the Association:—"Dear Sir,—Having consulted my backer with regard to playing and defending my title under the rules recently passed by the Billiard Association, I cannot allow or expect my supporters to put down £100 for me to compete in any match where the contestants are not allowed a voice in the selection of the table to be played upon, the balls to be used during the contest, and the referee to decide all disputes, and have therefore decided to resign the title.—Yours truly, C. Dawson."

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## LADIES' RIFLE ASSOCIATION.

It will be a matter of interest to many, especially to our fair readers, and not generally known, that for the past six or seven years Hongkong has possessed a Ladies' Rifle Association, numbering at the present time some fifty members. Mrs. May is the President, and the committee consists of Mrs. Hastings, Mrs. R. C. Wilcox, Mrs. Bryan, and Miss Siebs, whilst Major L. Breton Simmons, R.E., kindly fills the post of hon. secretary. This Association held its annual prize competition on Tuesday, the 15th, Wednesday, the 16th, and Thursday, the 17th inst., when some fair scores were made in spite of all the elements warring against such a result. The range is far from good at the best of times, the targets being surrounded and overhung with foliage and large trees, making the light very trying; especially has this been so during the last few days, when the events were shot off in the midst of rain, fog, and incipient thunderstorms and even an eclipse of the sun. The prizes were numerous and valuable, and were presented at Government House by Mrs. May at the close of the meeting on Thursday afternoon. Major Baker-Brown, R.E., and Capt. Dean, R.N., kindly assisted Major Le Breton Simmons as umpires during the meeting.

The following is the programme:—

1.—75 YARDS SCOTCH COMPETITION; entrance fee, 25 cents.

1st prize presented by Mrs. May. Won by Mrs. Gompertz, score 38.

2nd prize presented by the Association. Mrs. Johnston, score 27.

2.—75 YARDS HANDICAP COMPETITION; entrance fee, 25 cents.

1st prize presented by H. N. Mody, Esq. Mrs. Crawford, 30 + 4 = 34.

2nd prize presented by the Association. Mrs. Wilcox, 29 + 2 = 31.

3.—50 YARDS SCOTCH COMPETITION; entrance fee, 25 cents.

1st prize presented by Mrs. Siebs. Mrs. Grey, 27.

2nd prize presented by the Association. Mrs. Bryan, 26.

4.—50 YARDS HANDICAP COMPETITION; entrance fee, 25 cents.

1st prize presented by J. R. M. Smith, Esq. Mrs. Roome, 23 plus 10 = 33.

2nd prize presented by the Association. Mrs. Birdwood, 22 plus 8 = 30.

5.—THE ENCOURAGEMENT CUP I.—50 Yards Handicap Competition; entrance fee, 25 cents.

Prize presented by Mrs. Leigh. To be won by the member with a handicap of less than 6 points making the highest score in Competition No. 4.

Miss Siebs, 27 plus 3 = 30.

6.—THE ENCOURAGEMENT CUP II.—50 Yards Handicap Competition; entrance fee, 25 cents.

Prize presented by Mrs. Hastings. To be won by the member with a handicap of 6 points or over making the highest score in Competition No. 4.

Mrs. Roome, 23 + 10 = 33.

7.—50 YARDS COMPETITION; no extra fee.

(a.) scratch prize, Mrs. Wilcox, 24; (b.) handicap prize, Mrs. Pritchard, 24 + 1 = 33.

Presented by the husbands of members of the Association.

8.—A CUP, presented by Mrs. Wilcox; no entrance fee; to be won by the member making the highest aggregate in Competitions Nos. 1, 3 and 7 (a).

Mrs. Tait, 70.

9.—A CUP, presented by Sir Paul Chater; entrance fee, 50 cents; to be won by the member making the highest aggregate in Competitions Nos. 1 and 3.

Miss Siebs, 53.

10.—THE CONSOLATION PRIZE; entrance fee, 25 cents.

A prize presented by Mrs. Stephens. To be won by the member making the highest score in Competitions Nos. 2 and 4, who has not won a first or second prize at this meeting.

Mrs. Grace, Mrs. Fraser.

## SUPREME COURT.

Friday, 18th March.

## IN CRIMINAL JURISDICTION.

BEFORE HIS HONOUR SIR WILLIAM M. GOODMAN (CHIEF JUSTICE).

## CHARGE OF ROBBERY WITH VIOLENCE.

Chan Liang and Ng Ting Cheung were charged with having on 18th February assaulted a woman named Yi Yan between Yau-mat and Lung-ham and robbed her of her purse containing about \$39.

They pleaded not guilty.

The following jury was empanelled:—Messrs. E. H. Sumner (foreman), A. Stuckson, A. Abraham, F. MacRobie, T. Skinner, H. O. Siebler, and J. Landolt.

The Hon. Attorney-General (Sir Henry S. Berkeley), who conducted the prosecution (instructed by Mr. F. B. L. Bowley, Crown Solicitor), stated that about 7 o'clock in the evening in question the complainant, an elderly woman, was returning from her son's house at Yau-mat to her own house at Lung-ham when she was set upon by two men, assaulted and robbed. The robbers decamped, but were afterwards arrested on information received.

After hearing evidence the jury found the charges not proven. The accused were discharged.

## "NOTORIOUS LYING."

In the foregoing case one of the witnesses by name Wong Sam, a bean-curd dealer in Yau-mat, stated in evidence that the two accused came to his shop about 5 o'clock in the afternoon of the day on which the robbery occurred and stayed there all night. At the Magistrate's when examined he had stated that the two prisoners came to his place about a quarter past 5 o'clock, stayed for about a quarter of an hour and returned about 5 o'clock. When asked by the Attorney-General to explain the discrepancy in his two statements witness said that Chinese police constable 164 told him to make the statement which he made at the Magistrate.

Chinese P.C. 164, sworn, deposed that he did not tell Wong Sam what to say. The evidence he gave at Yau-mat was given in presence of Inspector Macdonald.

Inspector Macdonald was also called. He stated that Wong Sam gave his evidence without making any complaint that he had been prompted what to say.

His Lordship said he must commit Wong Sam for perjury. He stated that he had committed perjury before the Magistrate (Mr. Gompertz) because he had been asked to do so by a policeman. He must understand that, whether he was instigated or not, he could not commit perjury with impunity. If he was prompted to do so he should have told the Magistrate about it and he would have been protected. As it was he would go to prison for three months with hard labour for contempt of Court by most notorious lying, on his own confession.

The next witness in the case was Wong Chan, a brother of Wong Sam. He also gave evidence directly contrary to that which he gave at the Magistrate, making the plea that the police had prompted him. His revised version, however, differed considerably from his brother's.

His Lordship in sentencing Wong Chan to three months imprisonment with hard labour said he did not believe the police had prompted him, for the reason that they would not have prompted him to say one thing and his brother another; his Lordship believed that the fact of the matter was that these two witnesses, who admitted that they were friends of the prisoners, had been got in and influenced to deny their previous story in an attempt to get the prisoners off.

## ARMED ROBBERY.

Cheung Chu Kwong was charged with having on 18th February in armed robbery on a farmer's house near Slatkuk, in the New Territory, on 11th March.

He pleaded not guilty.

The following jury was empanelled:—Messrs. E. Sullivan (foreman), J. L. Stuart, W. A. Stopani, A. Raymond, C. Klinek, B. E. Hastings, and J. C. Ritchie.

The Attorney-General in opening the case said that prisoner was charged with being concerned in this armed robbery. The case for the prosecution was that on the day in question, about 6 p.m., a gang of eight or nine armed men, of whom prisoner was one, entered the house of the complainant, a farm named Chu Tim, near Shatankuk. They set upon the farmer, his two sons and his wives overpowered them, and stole a quantity of money and clothes. They drove the farmer out of the house and one of the robbers struck him on the head, grazing his scalp. Then the gang decamped. The prisoner, who was masked, had a struggle with the youngest son, and his mask was torn from his face. He was then recognised by the people in the house. He managed to get away, but one of the sons followed the retreating gang and saw the prisoner going into his house. They charged him with having taken part in the robbery. Prisoner denied the charge. On reporting the matter to the police, Sergeant Lamont and a constable set out for the village where the affair had taken place. On the way they met prisoner, who told them that he was on his way to the police station to report the robbery. After making enquiries, Sergeant Lamont took the prisoner into custody.

Evidence was given.

The jury found the prisoner guilty and he was sentenced to 3 years' hard labour and to receive 20 strokes of the birch.

The Court rose.

## IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.

BEFORE HIS HONOUR A. G. WISE (JUDGE).

## TROUBLE WITH HOUSE SERVANTS.

Mr. A. H. Ough, architect, was sued by Li Wong, his late cook, for \$9 in respect of balance of wages alleged to be due for February.

The plaintiff said that his wages were \$18 a month. He had received \$9 and now claimed the balance. He left the defendant's service on 29th February. He gave notice verbally that he wished to leave and afterwards wrote a registered letter to defendant giving formal notice.

His Lordship—What did you want to leave for?

Plaintiff—Because the master was always "rowing" me.

His Lordship—Well, I have to talk to my servants pretty fairly sometimes.

Plaintiff—Yes; but there should be a principle about the "rowing."

His Lordship—Yes, of course. But if you are wrong you must expect to be talked to. For the plaintiff there also gave evidence Mr. Ough's late butler, who had to do with the engagement and payment of all the house servants.

Mr. Ough in examination deposed that the \$18 he paid through the butler every month to the cook included the wages of the market-cook. The butler wanted to give notice in the middle of January that he wished to leave at the end of that month. He did not accept that notice. Then the butler wrote saying he wanted to leave at the end of February; defendant accepted that notice. Two or three days before the end of the month the butler asked him if he wanted the other servants to stay. Defendant replied that as they were the butler's servants they had better go. At the beginning of February his No. 1 cook had belted immediately he got his wages and went to Dr. Jordan.

Plaintiff, who had previously been No. 2 cook, acted as his substitute. At the end of the month when he asked for his wages defendant halved the amount that he had previously paid to the two cooks and gave him \$9. While the plaintiff was acting as cook he refused to go to the market and defendant could not get any rice, the excuse always being that such and such work was not his "piddin'." The "rowing" of which plaintiff spoke took place at the beginning of February after the No. 1 cook had gone away. Defendant had a very bad dinner served, and when he demanded to see the cook, plaintiff was produced. Owing to the servants all leaving he had had to give up his house and go to stay in the hotel.

His Lordship gave judgment for the defendant with costs.

## SUPREME COURT AMENITIES.

At the ceremony some months ago of the laying of the foundation-stone of the new Law Courts, Chief Justice Sir William Goodman had some observations to make on the noise from Queen's Road and the Post Office which annoy the Judges and interrupt the work of the Supreme Court on busy days. Point was lent to his remarks during the sitting of Mr. Justice Wise in the Summary Court, yesterday, and it may be worth while to quote the Chief Justice's criticism made at the foundation ceremony in full. His Lordship said:—

"There have been times quite recently when it has been somewhat difficult for the Judges to keep up even a semblance of dignity. For certain purposes, I believe, it is convenient to be in the closest proximity to the General Post Office. It is supposed to enhance the value of the property. But in the case of the Supreme Court such immediate proximity is a serious drawback. I can from my own experience assure your Excellency [Sir Henry Blane] that you have no more active and energetic Civil servants than those engaged in what I may call the carpentering branch of the Public Post and the machine-stamping departments of the Post Office and the collector of Stamp Duties. Last year I remember being entirely surprised as a Judge, it was in Chambers, and whenever the legal gentlemen got to the most interesting point of their argument the stamping machine would commence operations with the regularity of a smith's beating on an anvil—a smith who was certainly not a harmonious blacksmith. The machine was within 20 feet of the seats we were occupying, and we had day after day to select our most persuasive officer (it was mostly Mr. Seth—you know the smoothness of his tongue) to go round and beg for half-an-hour's cessation; as it was impossible to hear a word. After much correspondence with the Government that machine was removed, but as for the carpentering and hammering at parcel post cases these, like the poor, are ever with us."

The hammering and carpentering were very much in evidence yesterday—so much so that Mr. Wise sent down one of the ushers to stop the noise and bring before him those persons responsible for the making of it. The usher brought up two Chinese (presumably P. & S. servants) who were promptly put in the dock where they were kept until the summary case was disposed of. Even after this step had been taken, however, the proceedings were again interrupted by repetition of the noise. The usher was again sent below, but this time he returned empty-handed, stating that when he appeared the hammering stopped and he could not find out the offender.

His Lordship, through the Court interpreter (Mr. Dyer Hall), told the two Chinese that if ever they made such noise again when he was on the Bench and in disobedience of his orders, they would go to gaol. This matter, he added, must be fought out one way or another.

The men were accordingly discharged with this admonition.

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## POLICE COURT.

Friday, 18th March.

BEFORE MR. T. SHERBOURNE SMITH  
(POLICE MAGISTRATE).

## STOWAWAY.

Ching Hang, a coolie of no fixed abode, and no occupation, wanted to go to Canton, but did not wish to pay for his passage. Accordingly he went on board the s.s. *On Sang* without permission of the master, owners, or agents, and also without a ticket or money to procure one, on the 17th inst. He repeated the old story, "wanted to go and look for work." He was provided with work in the Victoria Gaol for one month, not having the wherewithal to pay the \$50 fine imposed.

## DUNK AND INCAPABLE.

Henry Weste, American, unemployed, was charged with being drunk and incapable in Queen's Road East, on the 17th inst. Defendant admitted the charge. Asked if he had been before the Court before, he cheerfully acknowledged that he had—a month ago. On that account he was fined \$10, with the alternative of 10 days' gaol.

## UNLICENSED BOARDING-HOUSE.

Li Yau King, Cheung Goo Lung, Ho Tak Tong, and Un Chuk Kong, were charged with keeping a Chinese boarding-house for emigrants without a licence as required under the ordinance. Mr. Goldring, solicitor, of Mr. John Hastings's office, appeared for the defence. Evidence was led that on the 14th inst. an inspector visited the house, and on asking for the master the four defendants said they were the masters. They kept a register of all the persons who stayed in the house. The house was situated at 229, Des Vaux Road East.

Chinese Constable No. 249 stated that on the 14th inst. he went to the house with Sergeant of Detectives Erver, and there saw the defendants, who said they had no licence, but said they had had between 50 and 60 passengers living on the premises. Mr. Chan Tol, translator at the Magistrate's, sworn, said that the book (predecessor) found on the premises was a list of people who stayed in the house. The entries consist of names of persons, and figures apparently showing their age, and then a debit and credit account against the visitors. There were entries of sums paid for passage-money, but the class of tickets was not described. The smallest sum paid was \$258, \$310 being the highest. His Worship held that these amounts pointed to first and second-class passengers, and their staying in the house did not make it an unlicensed boarding-house within the ordinance. The case was adjourned for enquiries as to whether any stowaway passengers were among the visitors. Adjourned until Tuesday, 22nd inst., at 2.15 p.m.

## CHURCH SERVICES.

## S. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL.

March 20th; 5th Sunday in Lent.

Holy Communion (7.30 a.m.)

Matins (11.0 a.m.)

Responses: Feriat; Venite, Turner; Psalms, Hayes and Ouseley; Benedicite, Ward in A; Jubilate, Ouseley in G; Anthem, O. Barker; Thine unto the voice of my calling—Ward; Hymn, 96.

Holy Communion (12—noon.)

Kyrie, Hyde in D. Offertory Hymn, 252.

Evangelist (5.45 p.m.)

Responses: Feriat; Psalms, Old Melody and Travers; Magnificat. Smart in E; Nunc Dimittis, Kelsey in D. Hymns, 107, 263 and 97; Vesper Hymn—Ward (No. 1).

## S. PETER'S CHURCH.

Queen's Road West.

Matins (11 a.m.)

Venite, Jones; Te Deum, Woodward; Benedictus, Troutbeck; Hymns, 551, 555, 594, and 553.

Holy Communion, 12.15.

Evangelist (6.30 p.m.)

Magnificat, Goss; Nunc Dimittis, Crotch; Hymns, 556, 559, 596, and 581.

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Sunday—Prayer Meeting, at 6 p.m.

## SHIPPING NOTES.

The s.s. *Laing* arrived from Chefoo yesterday, and reports fine weather. Strong N.E. wind, with rain-squalls, is reported by the China Merchants s.s. *Feiching* from Swatow. The British four-masted barque *Arrow*, Capt. McDonald, has arrived from New York with 4,400 tons of case oil for the Standard Oil Company. She was 138 days on the passage; rather monotonous. The German s.s. *Borwin*, Capt. E. Muhle, from Sandakan with timber and general, experienced moderate N.E. trade winds in the Sulu Sea; N. to N.E. light breezes, and long rolling E.N. swell in the China Sea. Two Japanese steamers from Moji reached this port yesterday by the Hamburg Amerika Linie *Bambie*.

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Bearers of Debentures are invited to attend the Drawing.

By Order,

C. H. GRACE, Secretary.

Hongkong, 11th March, 1904. [714]

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MOWBRAY S. NORTHCOTE, Hon. Secretary.

Hongkong, 9th March, 1904. [716]

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Hongkong, 17th March, 1904. [768]

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Hongkong, 17th October, 1899. [251]

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SEYMSEN & CO., Hongkong, 3rd October, 1899. [45]

NOTICE.

THE following Articles FOUND at Government House after the Balls on 3rd and 25th February, are still unclaimed—

1 SMALL FEATHER FAN.

1 PR. LADY'S WHITE KID GLOVES.

2 BLACK VEILS.

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1 SMALL GOLD BROOCH.

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M. R. HURLEY, Capt. A.D.C.

Hongkong, 8th March, 1904. [695]

NOTICE OF FIRM

NOTICE.

THE undersigned LEUNG SING HAU TONG have This Day Transferred all my Share and Interest in the Business of the WING YU LOONG LAI KEE of No. 374, Des Vaux Road West, and in the Business of the BOO HING LONG of No. 365, Des Vaux Road West to TAM CHEUK SAI, and that I have no further Interest or Responsibility in the said businesses.

Dated this 12th March, 1904.

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## ENTERTAINMENT

## HONGKONG PHILHARMONIC SOCIETY.

THE SECOND SUBSCRIPTION CONCERT will be given on TUESDAY, 29th MARCH, at 5.30 p.m. in the CITY HALL, when MENDELSSOHN'S HYMN OF PRAISE will be given by FULL CHORUS & ORCHESTRA.

Prices of Admission to non-subscribers \$3 & \$1.

PETER DOW, Hon. Secretary (vocal).

H. W. D. SCHMIDT, Hon. Secretary (Orchestra).

Hongkong, 11th March, 1904. [716]

FOR SALE.

BY kind permission of Gentlemen present at the battle of Chempoo Mr. A. LONG, the well-known Local Photographer, has on sale the best collections of WAR PICTURES in the Colony—No. 4, ICE HOUSE ROAD.

Hongkong, 15th March, 1904. [739]

FOR SALE.

THE STOCK in Trade and Good Will of an Old Established Bicycle Firm in the Colony, situated in a good locality.

Apply by letter to—

"BICYCLE," Care of Daily Press Office.

Hongkong, 26th February, 1904. [687]

OWNERS leaving the Colony, the Cruiser Yacht "PLOVER," 58 feet over all, cabin with accommodation for four Europeans, pantry, &c., with all fittings complete. Suitable for parties or shooting parties.

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Hongkong, 7th March, 1904. [674]

AT THE PEAK.

FOR SALE, A FIVE-ROOMED HOUSE, with or without Furniture, together with Large Croquet Ground.

For Terms and Particulars apply to—

TURNER & CO., Hongkong, 20th March, 1904. [613]

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS.

CITY OF MANILA.

OFFICE OF THE MUNICIPAL BOARD SECRETARY'S OFFICE.

SEALED PROPOSALS will be received at this Office until 12 o'clock noon, of the first day of June, 1904, for the construction of the superstructure for a lift bridge over the Binondo canal in the City of Manila, in accordance with plans on file at the Office of the City Engineer.

Bids will be received (1st) for the delivery and erection of the structure complete in every respect and ready for use; (2nd) for the delivery at the wharf in Manila, free from all encumbrances, of all the structural material and machinery of every sort, ready for the erection of the bridge complete.

Each bid shall be accompanied by (1st) a check payable to the City of Manila in the sum of one thousand dollars (\$1,000) United States currency, or its equivalent, as a guarantee that the contractor will within ten (10) days from the awarding of the contract enter into contract with the City of Manila for the faithful performance of all the work above specified.

A bond of ten per cent (10%) of the accepted bid will be required for the faithful performance and completion of the contract within a period of twelve (12) months from the date of signing the contract.

PRINTED FORMS FORBIDS, plans and all necessary information may be obtained at the Office of the City Engineer, Manila, P.I., Engineering News Publishing Co., 220 Broadway, New York City, and the Bureau of Insular Affairs, Washington, D.C.

The right is reserved by the City of Manila to reject any or all bids and to waive any defects.

By Direction of the Board, JOHN S. TUTHER, Secretary.

Manila, P. I., January 21st, 1904. [361]

NOTICE TO KOWLOON RESIDENTS

EXTRA COPIES of Daily Press are on sale daily at Mr. H. RUTTONJEE'S KOWLOON STORE, No. 36, Elgin Road. Price 15 cents per copy cash.

Hongkong, 22nd December, 1902. [3518]

PUBLIC COMPANIES

WATKINS LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FIFTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS of the COMPANY'S OFFICE, No. 31, Queen's Road Central, on SATURDAY, the 26th MARCH, 1904, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1903.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 19th to the 26th MARCH, both days inclusive.

CHAN A FOOK, G. A. WATKINS, General Managers.

Hongkong, 14th March, 1904. [734]

CAMPBELL, MOORE & CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE EIGHTEENTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICE, No. 29, Queen's Road Central, on THURSDAY, the 31st MARCH, 1904, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1903.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 18th to the 31st MARCH, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board, M. A. SOUZA, Secretary.

Hongkong, 14th March, 1904. [742]

## PUBLIC COMPANIES

## THE CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP CO., LTD.

THE TWENTY-FIRST ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the above Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICE, No. 14, Des Vaux Road, Victoria, THIS DAY (SATURDAY), the 19th MARCH, 1904, at 11 a.m., for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the General Managers for the year ending 31st December, 1903.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY, the 16th MARCH, to SATURDAY, the 19th MARCH (both days inclusive).

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., General Managers.

Hongkong, 19th March, 1904. [678]

THE CHINA-BORNEO COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FIRST ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS of the above Company will be held at the OFFICE of the Company, No. 4, Queen's Buildings, THIS DAY (SATURDAY), the 19th MARCH, 1904, at 12 o'clock noon, to receive a Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1903, and the Report of the General Manager and Consulting Committee and to elect a Consulting Committee and Auditor.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 5th to the 19th of MARCH, both days inclusive.

J. WHELEY, General Manager.

Hongkong, 19th March, 1904. [651]

HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS of the COMPANY'S HOTEL THIS DAY (SATURDAY), the 19th MARCH, 1904, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts of the Company, to the 31st December, 1903, with the Report of the Directors, and to discuss any matter that may be competently brought before the Meeting.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 18th to the 19th MARCH, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board, C. MOONEY, Secretary.

Hongkong, 19th March, 1904. [698]

CHINA SUGAR REFINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

THE TWENTY-SIXTH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS of the COMPANY will be held at the OFFICES of the General Agents on THURSDAY, the 24th MARCH, at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1903.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 11th to the 24th MARCH, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., General Agents.

Hongkong, 5th March, 1904. [683]

LUZON SUGAR REFINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE TWENTY-SECOND ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF THE SHAREHOLDERS of the Company will be held at the OFFICES of the General Agents, Pedder's Street, on THURSDAY, the 24th day of MARCH, 1904, at 12.30 p.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report and Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1903.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 11th to the 24th MARCH, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., General Agents.

Hongkong, 5th March, 1904. [679]

THE CHINESE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

(In Liquidation).

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a GENERAL MEETING of the above-named Company will be held at the OFFICE of the Hon. C. P. CHATER, K.O.M.G., Victoria Buildings, Queen's Road, at 3 o'clock in the afternoon on SATURDAY, the 26th day of MARCH, when the Liquidator will lay before the Shareholders a Final Report together with the Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1903, and the following Resolution will be proposed, viz:—

To those Shareholders who make a written application to the Liquidator Mr. J. GOOSMANN, on or before the 2nd day of APRIL, 1904, \$1 (Dollar One) or a fraction of same, will be returned per Share, and any Balance remaining after payment of Auditor's Fee, Printing and Petty Expenses, is to be transferred to the credit of the Liquidator.

The Books of the Company are to remain in safe custody with Messrs. MELCHERS & CO., and to be destroyed after two years from date.

J. GOOSMANN, Liquidator.

Hongkong, 10th March, 1904. [718]

HUMPHREYS' ESTATE AND FINANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

SHAREHOLDERS are hereby notified that, on and after this date, they can obtain Scrip Certificates for Shares of the new issue in exchange for Hongkong and Shanghai Bank receipts on application at the Registered Office of the Company, Nos. 38 and 40, Queen's Road Central.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON, General Managers.

Hongkong, 13th February, 1904. [515]

WILLIAM POWELL, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

An Interim Dividend on account of the year 1904, at the rate of fifty cents per share, will be Payable at the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANK, Hongkong, on and after the 2nd MARCH.

THE REGISTER OF SHARES and TRANSFER BOOKS will be CLOSED from FRIDAY, the 18th MARCH, until TUESDAY, the 22nd MARCH, both days inclusive, during which period no Transfers can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors, R. G. BEKFOR, Manager.

Hongkong, 14th March, 1904. [741]

## AUCTIONS

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, TO-DAY (SATURDAY), the 19th MARCH, 1904, at 2.30 p.m., at his SALES ROOMS, Queen's Road, SUNDAY FURNITURE, 1 ELECTRIC FAN, 1 FLUTE, 1 OLD VIOLIN, 2 COMPASSES, 2 ANEROIDS, 1 STEAM GAGE, 1 WALKER'S PATENT CHUBB LOCK, 1 ENGINE 4in. STROKE, &c., SILKS, CRETONNE, MUSLINS, TABLE COVERS, DRESS MATERIAL, SUIT LENGTHS, SOCKS, &c.

STRAW HATS and LADIES' HATS; &c., &c.

TERMS OF SALE—As Customary.

V. I. REMEDIOS, Auctioneer.

Hongkong, 17th March, 1904. [787]

## PUBLIC AUCTION.



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## ON SALE. THE PROVINCE OF SHANTUNG.

1st TRADE POPULATION AND FUTURE PROSPECTS. BY M. O'S. Reprinted for the "HONGKONG DAILY PRESS" Price, 50 cents Cash. Messrs. Kelly & Walsh or Daily Press Office Hongkong, 3rd January, 1900.

## THE WOMAN ON THE DERELICT, BEING THE STRANGE LOVE STORY OF JOHN BEAMWELL, BY GUY BOOTHBY.

(Author of "Dr. Nikola," "My Indian Queen," etc., etc.)

CHAPTER XI—(Continued).

"To begin with," I said, "I should inform you that the young lady in question is in England, and in a very poor state of health. She has seen a great deal of trouble, and her memory has quite deserted her. To be brief with you, on my way home from Australia, I found her alone on an abandoned ship. She could not even remember her own name, nor any of her past life. One day, however, she mentioned, quite by chance, the name of Signor Candi. I went to Florence and traced him to the villa he now occupies in the suburbs. From him I learnt that there had at one time been some talk of attentions which had been paid to her by a man in Florence. Can you give me any information on this point?"

She hesitated before she replied. "I don't see why Signor Candi should have brought me into the matter," she ejaculated. "I call it most unfair."

"I hope you won't think that," I hastened to say. "Your name was only one of many others. But as the rest were scattered all over the world, I called upon you as being the nearest at hand."

This somewhat mollified her. "Perhaps I know more than people imagine," she observed at last. "I have been accustomed to keep my eyes open, and though I would not for worlds pry into another's business, I cannot help seeing things, especially when they are deliberately thrust under my nose. Who the man was I do not know, nor did I ever feel any anxiety to learn. I don't think he was an Italian, though he might have passed for one. He was tall, fairer than you are."

"With black eyes and hair," I interrupted excitedly, and very small hands.

"I did not notice his hands," she answered. "But in other respects you have described him exactly. There was one strange thing that puzzled me all," she went on, "and that was the fact that she was afraid of him, perhaps terrified would better describe it."

"Forgive my asking the question, but what reasons have you for suspecting that?"

"Because there were certain days on which she could not paint—when she trembled like an aspen leaf and her eyes seemed to have a haunted, frightened look that I cannot describe. Then there was another man—"

"Another?" I cried in great surprise and with a gasp. "I may never know again. Tell me what you mean!"

"There was another man," she replied, "an ugly, might almost say a hideous man, with a face like that of a Goliath. He followed her everywhere, and we girls all thought that, before long, these two men, who hated each other with a deadly hatred, would try to kill each other. Then she disappeared, quite suddenly, leaving all her things behind her and not even saying 'good-bye' to the girl who shared her lodgings with her. The tall man saw her a few days afterwards, but the Goliath was never seen again. That, sir, is all I can tell you. If her memory is gone, and she cannot recall the past, I suppose that is all that will ever be known."

"Not quite all," I answered. "Miss Matheson, are you serious?"

"I have always been told so. What makes you ask the question?"

"Because I should like to show you a photograph. Before doing so I ought to inform you that it is a very horrible one."

"I think you may trust me," she said. "And I thereupon produced my pocket-book and took from it the photograph of the murdered man. It was not without some trepidation that I handed it to her. I need not have worried myself, however, for it was evident that it would take more than that to shake her nerves."

"That is the man of whom I told you. Conforted as the face is, I should know him anywhere. Where did this happen?"

"In mid-ocean," I replied. "She handed it back to me without another word. 'I can tell you nothing further,' she said, in a strangely harsh voice. I rose."

"Good-bye, Mr. Matheson," I said. "I am very grateful to you for what you have done for me. At least you have set my mind at rest on two points. The identity of the man in the photograph, and of the other with black hair and dark eyes. It may interest you to know that the latter is in London now."

"After what I have heard to-day, and what I have discovered on my own initiative, I'll forswear his company for the future. If he's a hypocrite it shall not be said that I am. What would I not give to settle it with him, man to man?"

Bigger man than myself though he was, the justice of my cause would have stood by me and I should have come out the victor. I looked at my watch and discovered that it was already ten minutes past five. In twenty minutes he would be with me. My mind was made up, I would not see him. Calling the hall porter to me I said to him: "I suppose the gentleman who called to see me this afternoon was the same who has been so often of late to see me?"

"No, sir," the man replied. "This is another gentleman. I have never seen him before."

"Very well then, I will see him," I remarked. "I shall be in the smoking room."

I went to the room in question and ordered tea to be brought to me. It braced me up more than anything else could have done, and then I laid myself back in my chair, pipe in mouth, and wondered what the next development in the business was going to be. Was this mysterious stranger going to endeavour to bribe me to return to Australia? Would he offer me a return to Australia? Miss Angela, or would he endeavour to assassinate me in the presence of the bald-headed old gentleman who was slumbering peacefully before the roaring fire?

A few moments later a servant made his appearance, and, seeing me, said: "A gentleman to see you, sir."

I rose from my chair to be prepared for him. Before I could say, "Show him in," the stranger made his appearance. It was Giles Farrington!

Giles Farrington was the last man in the world I expected to see. If I had been told that he was in England I should not have believed it. He had always told me that he had done with the Mother Country for good and all, and that nothing would induce him over to return to her. To see him now in the smoking room of a fashionable London hotel almost took my breath away.

"Good Heaven, Giles," I cried, "is this you or your ghost?"

"Shake hands and ascertain the fact for yourself," he answered, with the laugh that I remembered so well of old.

He held out his hand, and I took it to receive a grip that went a long way towards convincing me that he was not a member of the Spirit World. Then he clasped his hands on my shoulders and said: "By Jove, Jack, how well you are looking, old fellow. And what a thundering swell you are. And yet I remember you standing your watch among the islands in your pyjamas, with a silk handkerchief round your neck, and bare feet."

"Well, come and sit down," I said, "and you shall tell me all about it."

He did so, and refreshments were ordered. A reckless thing to do on my part, seeing that I had only a few minutes before finished my tea. However, there are times when Prudence must be thrown to the winds. This was one of them.

"Well, I'll spin you yarn first," he said, "and then you can spin yours."

"Fire away then," I said, and he set to work. "In the first place, I am going to pay you the compliment of saying that, after you left, I felt a bit lonely. This didn't seem to go right at all. I got a man to fill your bill, but he was such a blunderer that I had to get rid of him. Then there seemed to be nothing to do, and I began to think that I was tired of the sea and the old life. I had business in Hongkong, so I put in there to find a letter awaiting me, which had been forwarded from Sydney. I can't remember whether I ever told you that I did not take up the life I led out there for the sake of the money I made out of it. I could not very well have done it at the price. No! I have a fair good property in England that brings me in a tidy sum of money. Something had gone wrong with it, and it became necessary for me to hurry to look after things. Now you know everything. It's not much of a story, is it, when all is said and done?"

"I don't care so much about the story," I replied, "as I do about seeing you again. I can almost imagine I see you coming up out of the companion, and talking of that reminds me, where is the schooner?"

"Laid up, my boy, where folk won't think of looking for her. Do you think she's in Sydney Harbour, lying alongside one of your hand-dandies? No, she's in the off-shoots of the duffer of a mate may have to wait a while to hear him search for a hundred years they won't find her. But now tell me of yourself. You seem to have let me do all the talking. Remember I know nothing of your doings save that you sailed away in the 'Hulluket'."

"Oh, I have been going through all sorts of adventures," I replied. "It was quite like the old times. I only wish you had been with me. I wish I had. But let me inform you that you are not getting on with the story. Fire away, man, for go down the time when you used to be a good hand at a yarn."

I laughed at a thought struck me. "Do you remember old Mother Packton at the time when she had been at the gin bottle instead of getting her supper and he remonstrated with her with the nearest thing handy, would observe, 'Man—man—why will 'ee be so impatient?' That fits your case in a hair."

"Don't talk about the islands," he growled. "If you do, I shall be off at once. There only been here two days and I'm fairly dying to be out there again. But to get to business. We're wasting time. I had to get talking against time in order to allow the old gentleman who was now awake to collect his impedimenta, consisting of a spectacle case, a cigar case, and a skull cap, which had fallen off during his slumbers. Now that he was gone, I was ready to gratify my friend's curiosity."

"I was waiting for that old fellow to clear out," I said; "now that he's gone, I'll tell you everything, and if it's not the strangest yarn you have ever heard, may I go to sea as a steward."

I described to him in a few brief words our voyage from Sydney up as far as the Doldrums. The sighting of the brig came next, and the captain giving me permission to board her. An account of her curious appearance follows in its proper course. So far I could see that he had not taken much interest in what

I was telling him, but when I gave him an account of what we discovered on board, the body of the murdered man, pinned out upon the deck in that flimsy manner, and the half-mad girl, crouching in the corner of the cabin below, he got up and began to pace the room.

"My God," he said, speaking through teeth that were biting deep into his cigar. "That is one of the most horrible things I have ever heard of."

"Yes," I continued, "and if you'd come upon it as I did, it would have made you feel as bad as it did me. Would you like to see it now?"

He evidently thought me mad. I took out my pocket-book and from it the photograph that I was longing to destroy. He looked at it with an expression of indescribable disgust upon his face.

"How you can bear to carry the thing about with you, I cannot imagine," he said. "It would give me the nightmare to have it in my room, and I don't think I am more of a coward than most men. Why do you do it?"

"Because I want to run down the brute who committed the crime; and I am on their track now like a sleuth hound. But let me get on with my yarn."

I told him of the condition of the ship, how every trace of her identity had been obliterated, spoke of the tidiness of the men's quarters, the galley, and of the cabin aft: how I had offered to navigate her home, with a crew and a mate from the 'Hulluket.' I told him of the poor girl's condition; and later on, what arrangements I had made for her.

"You're a brick," he said; "but I didn't want any complications. The next part of my narrative was my meeting with Armitage, the little Jew, and my adventures on the Continent."

"Well, you can't grumble because you haven't had sufficient excitement," he remarked when I had finished. "And was the young lady whom you rescued pretty?"

"Judge for yourself," I returned, and handed him her portrait.

At the moment he was engaged in lighting another cigar. When he had finished, he glanced at the portrait with the interest of a man who, reading a good story, glances curiously at the illustrations. Suddenly I heard him catch his breath and his face became as pale as it was possible for it to be. He stared at the photograph as if he could not take his eyes off it.

"Good God, man," he cried, with a fierceness that I had never seen in him before. "If this is a joke you are playing on me, I warn you that it will be the worse for you. If it had been any other man I would have killed him."

"But my dear fellow," I said, springing to my feet and putting my hand on his shoulder, "I am playing a joke on you. That is the photograph of the girl I found on the brig."

He was shaking like a man with the palsy, and great beads of sweat were running down his forehead. I rang the bell and bade the waiter bring me some brandy. When it came I gave it to my friend and he tossed it off at a gulp.

"Now, Giles, for goodness sake tell me what this means," I said. "What has upset you so? You know that I would not do anything to hurt you for the world."

"I know that, old man," he replied, gripping my hand like a vice, "but—but—that girl is—my sister!"

(To be continued.)

## JOINT STOCK SHARES.

Messrs. Vernon & Smyth say in their weekly share report, dated Hongkong, 18th March, 1904:—Business generally continues dull, and but few transactions of importance have transpired during the week under review.

BANKS.—Hongkong and Shanghai, have ruled steadily with small sales at \$605, and probable further buyers at the rate. London is unchanged at \$59. Nationals have changed hands at the improved rate of \$35.

MARINE INSURANCES.—Unions are easier with sellers at \$475. China Traders can still be placed at \$55. North China have sold in the North at \$67. Yangtze and Canton are unchanged, the latter being still on offer at \$175.

FIRE INSURANCES.—Hongkong are firmer with buyers at \$282. China have sold at \$83 and \$84, closing steady at the latter rate.

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| YOKOHAMA & KOBE                      | SUEVIA        | Ger. str.  | von Dohren      | HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE   | 26th inst., at Noon.  |
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| JAPAN                                | THYRASS       | Dut. str.  | T. Lehmann      | SIEMSEN & CO.           | 21st inst., at 3 P.M. |
| SHANGHAI                             | LYPHEMOON     | Ger. str.  | T. Lehmann      | BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE     | 22nd inst.            |
| SHANGHAI                             | SHANGHAI      | Fr. str.   | Negro           | MESSEGERIES MARITIMES   | About 22nd inst.      |
| SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA            | SALAMIE       | Fr. str.   | Malenich        | SANDER, WIELER & CO.    | About 27th inst.      |
| SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA & KOBE            | F. FERDINAND  | Aut. str.  | Malenich        | P. & O. S. N. Co.       | Quick despatch.       |
| SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, HIogo & YOKOHAMA | HAMBURG       | Ger. str.  | E. Burmeister   | MELCHERS & CO.          | To-day, at Noon.      |
| AMOI, MANILA, CEBU & ILOILO          | SUNGKIAN      | Ger. str.  | E. Burmeister   | BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE     | To-morrow, 10 A.M.    |
| TAMSUI, via SWATOW & AMOI            | FRITHJOF      | Jap. str.  | H. A. Haraldsen | OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA    | 27th inst., 10 A.M.   |
| TAMSUI, via SWATOW & AMOI            | M. STREVE     | Jap. str.  | T. Brandt       | OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA    | 23rd inst., 10 A.M.   |
| ANPING, via SWATOW & AMOI            | TRITOS        | Jap. str.  | H. Kraft        | OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA    | To-day, at Noon.      |
| SWATOW, AMOI & FOCHOW                | THALES        | Brit. str. | Robson          | BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE     | 23rd inst.            |
| MANILA                               | KALFONG       | Brit. str. | R. Hodger       | SHAWAN, TOMES & CO.     | 26th inst., 10 A.M.   |
| MANILA DIRECT                        | ZAFIRO        | Brit. str. | R. W. Almond    | SHAWAN, TOMES & CO.     | 2nd April, 10 A.M.    |
| MANILA DIRECT                        | RUEL          | Brit. str. | R. W. Almond    | SHAWAN, TOMES & CO.     | About 30th April.     |
| MANILA                               | SHAWMUT       | Brit. str. | W. M. Smith     | DODWELL & CO., LTD.     | 22nd inst., 4 P.M.    |
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## as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in

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## must be left at the Agency's Office. Contents

## and Value of Packages are required.

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## G. DE CHAMPEAUX,

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## Hongkong, 10th March, 1904. [2]

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## Hongkong, 2nd March, 1904. [636]

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## Hongkong, 4th August, 1897. [8]

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## DEPARTURES from Hongkong, on week

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## The Steamer runs an Excursion Trip Every

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